

## **Mudmill Pond**

60.0 acres

Marydel

This pond was undoubtedly named for the muddy brown color of the water. As might be expected, largemouth bass and other members of the sunfish family are present in below average numbers in comparison to other Delaware ponds. Although the amount of silt in the water likely affects the spawning success of these nest-builders, reproduction has been successful enough to produce low to moderate numbers of bass with an occasional citation.

Bluegill and black crappie were also present in low to moderate numbers. However, nice size crappie were occasionally taken, either in the area near the dam or around the island. Pumpkinseed sunfish were also present.

### **VEGETATION**

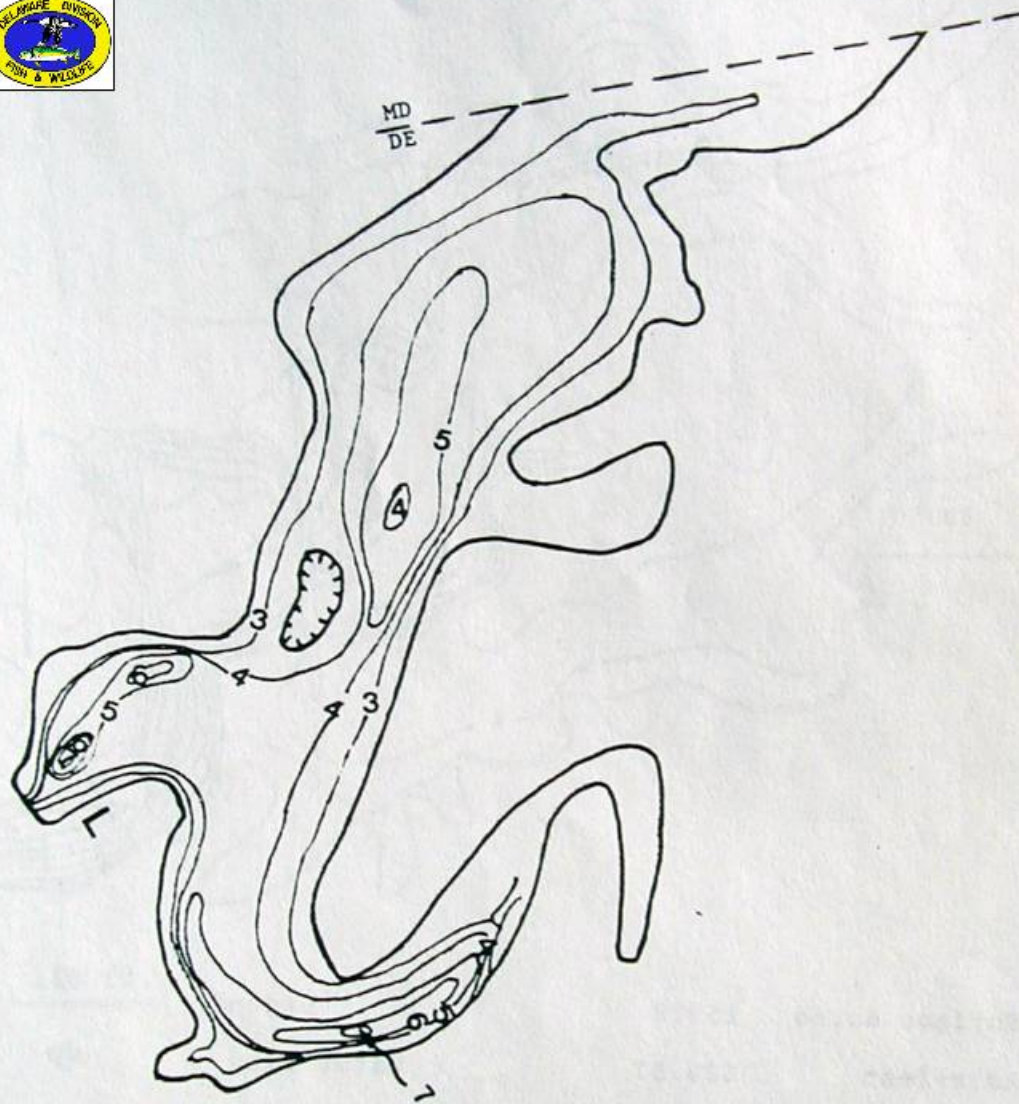
Although much of the pond shoreline was vegetated with water willow, smartweed, and other emergent plants, there was little vegetation in the pond itself. Spatterdock occurred in scattered patches throughout the pond and crappie appeared to hold in the cooler water of those beds. Duckweed was present among the shoreline plants but did not affect angling.

### **SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

The shallow depth throughout much of the pond makes running an outboard difficult at times. Visibility is generally poor due to the muddy water so maintaining a legal no-wake speed is best to avoid damage to outboards.

This pond lies on the state line between Maryland and Delaware. Since there is no reciprocity agreement between the two states, anglers must be sure they are holding an appropriate license for their location on the pond.

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Surface acres 60.0

Maximum depth 7.0'